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REMARKS

Claims 1 to 33 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 10, 18, and 25 are independent claims. Claims 1, 3, 9-11, 15, 18, and 25 are currently amended.

Claims 1 to 33 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by European Patent Application No. 1,126,356 ("Hashimoto"). In response, independent claims 1, 10, 18, and 25 have been amended to each include at least one limitation not disclosed by Hashimoto.

Specifically, independent claim 1 has been amended to include reading by software private-state data from storage. Hashimoto does not describe this limitation, and in fact teaches against it by describing his techniques as protecting state data from analysis (see, e.g., paragraph 26 of Hashimoto). Corresponding amendments have been made to the other independent claims, and all of the dependent claims also include such a limitation based on their dependence. Therefore, Hashimoto does not anticipate any of the amended independent claims or their dependent claims, and the withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

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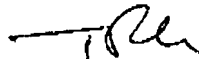
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CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections of claims 1 to 33 have been overcome, and that claims 1 to 33 are in condition for allowance. The applicant therefore respectfully requests the issuance of a Notice of Allowance. Please charge any necessary fees, including extension fees, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0221.

Respectfully submitted,

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